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East Hampshire District Council  
Playing Pitch and Sports Facilities Strategy  
2024 – 2040  
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To understand the current landscape of clubs in the East Hampshire area, data was collected from a survey distributed to the sports clubs in the area. 83 individual sports clubs responded to the invitation to complete the survey, these clubs provide opportunities for both indoor and outdoor sports. A summary of the results of the club survey is provided in the strategy introduction. The clubs surveyed cited a range of aspirations and facility needs to assist in growing and developing their respective clubs. A number of these have been considered during the formation of the strategy action plan in discussion with the steering group, however not all of these needs were considered as priorities at the time of the strategy being developed, therefore have not been included in the action plan. The table below illustrates the aspirations provided by the responding clubs, in their own words, as part of the survey process for reference and information.

### Playing Pitch Sports

Club/Sport	Aspirations/Demands
Alton Cricket Club	Changing facilities at Sports Centre end are not very welcoming and need improving. At the main end we have installed Hybrid pitches within the last 2 years with support of Town Council. This has allowed more matches to be played on the main square, including County Matches which strengthens our relationship with the County Board. This in itself will help with sustainability and growth. If we could do something similar at the other end, and/or potentially increase the number at the main end this would mean more matches being played both in total but also on better quality pitches which would help recruit new members.
Alton FC	We need more grass pitches, especially on a Saturday AM and in April (cricket season overlap). An additional full size 3G would be marvellous
Alton Hockey Club	The main pitch will need resurfacing in a few years. Changing rooms need to be improved and at some point, we anticipate needing a clubhouse.
Alton RFC	A long-term project is being undertaken to look at adding an AGP pitch to provide better training facilities.
Bentworth CC	The changing and shower facilities are poor, but the investment required is beyond the resources of the club.
Binsted CC	Improved facilities and ladies changing rooms. The Pavilion was built in the 1980' but is no longer fit for purpose. It requires investment to bring it to 21st Century standards, meeting the needs of both men and women. There is also very little for teenagers to do in the village and therefore, an upgraded Pavilion could provide a social club / facility.
Binsted YFC	We are allowed to store equipment at the pavilion out of season but don't feel that we have a 'home' there and only have access to the small kitchen area and outside loo during the football season. We currently have mixed youth teams but would like to have girls football teams in the future, but we require more space and better overall facilities.
Clanfield CC	We require better training facilities at South Lane Meadow, and we also require more suitable winter indoor facilities to sustain the present rate of growth of the club. We don't have a secondary site at present, but we will require one in 2024.
Clanfield FC	We need to upgrade the pavilion to make it an appealing venue for people to attend.
Froxfield CC	Outfield not cut or maintained to standard of agreement with Parish Council.
Grayshott CC	We need more dedicated toilets for women at Grayshott and Broxhead. Pavilions need urgent adaption for female participation.
Headley cricket club	Make changing facilities more female friendly.
Headley United Football Club	We would like to have increased from 2 men's teams to 3 but are restricted by the number of pitches, changing rooms and parking. Plans have been put on hold until planned Pavilion extension/renovation completed.
Headley Youth FC	We need floodlights for evening training. Volunteers for coaching and running the club is a growing issue on top of training space.
Holybourne CC	There are a number of things we could improve, subject to funds availability, and typically, volunteers to do the work to save costs.
Holybourne Veterans FC	Changing rooms and showers need investment at Jubilee playing fields in Alton. Sometimes there is no hot water available.
Hordean Hawks Youth FC	Changing rooms with toilets would be nice. Storage facilities would be ideal.
Hordean Youth FC	Facilities are fine but more pitches are required.

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Liphook United FC	A facility with a 3G pitch and floodlights and new clubhouse ensures the adult section can play week in week out providing stronger revenue, it would also mean we could keep the rec as the youth section and put more youth pitches on it.
Liss Athletic FC	Better training facilities, better pitch facility to enable the Men's team to progress into higher leagues. Changing rooms could be improved and would be good to have better kitchen facilities.
Manor Colts Youth FC	We urgently need more reliable football pitches for matches. Toilet facilities are poor. We have no clubhouse available from which to serve refreshments. We need good training facilities, that are affordable, on a safe 3G surface.
Petersfield CC	Our second ground is not good enough and the facilities there are poor. We cannot invest as we do not have a confirmed lease in place.
Petersfield Hockey Club	Ideally, we need access to better pitches & changing facilities (& clubroom) over which we have some control and security of tenure. This would help grow our female & junior sections & help achieve our objectives on inclusion.
Petersfield RFC	Petersfield RFC is in a good place in terms of membership and facilities. However, 2 new pitches in Penns B (dues 2024/25 - part of Sports Hub Development) and a Clubhouse extension with additional changing (compliant for female use) and increased social space and more parking is required for the club to grow further in numbers and diversity.
Petersfield Town FC (adult)	The pavilion needs to be larger, and the changing rooms need improving. The stadium needs much improved spectator areas to accommodate enhance spectator crowds. The playing surface needs to be able to accommodate the extra use, which can be achieved by resurfacing to 3G.
Petersfield Town FC (youth)	We urgently need proper toilet and changing facilities, as well as a social space and shelter on matchdays, at our main Penns Place site. This is especially important if we are to be able grow girls and women's football and offer football to people with disabilities.
Prosper FC	We would like to expand and grow our club, but we need more all-weather pitches and grass pitches to train and play on.
Ropley FC	Pitches are not full size thus do meet criteria of higher league.
Royal Oak Vets FC	Sort out the drainage so that we don't have to pay huge fees to hire other pitches.
Steep CC	Clubhouse would benefit from renovation but would require grants/loans to achieve this. Better practice facilities would benefit junior and senior men's sides and encourage female participation. We are exploring the available financial support for enclosed practice nets for the club and community
Wey Valley FC	The area definitely needs more pitches & facilities of reasonable quality - 10 years ago the area had 11 full size pitches with varying levels of access and facilities. All bar the one at Mill Chase Recreation Ground have been subsumed by local housing developments.
Whitehill & Bordon FC	The Club have aspirations to gain another promotion following its success but to get promoted to step 5&6 of the pyramid from its current step 7 requires a proper ground with floodlights, stands, turnstiles etc. The former Daly ground already has been used as a football ground in the past, still has the floodlights and could be reinstate/invested into becoming the clubs new permanent home, a community club, a community hub ground in the heart of the Whitehill & Bordon community.

## Sports Facilities

Club/Sport	Aspirations/Demands
Active Academy Ltd (Clanfield Tennis)	Floodlights needed.
Alton Bowling Club	The pavilion dates from 1960 with later extensions and is in need of major refurbishment. The bowling surface is adequate; however, the surrounds require urgent attention. The boundary fence is also in urgent need of restoration or repair. Ladies toilet facilities could be improved.
Alton & District Swimming Club	Ill-fitting or corroded fixtures, lane rope breakages, and leaky roof have all been issues at Alton. The timing system has never been operated successfully. The poolside is dirty because the no outdoor shoes policy is not enforced. The spectator area sometimes has the same dropped food and litter for a week or more. When the sun shines through the glass on a warm day, the spectator area is like a greenhouse. It is possible to see into the shower areas from the spectator area and the café. At Bordon, the significant issue is the temperature of the pool (often very warm), and the changing rooms have, at times, been either like saunas or like fridges - the aircon/ventilation system is ineffective.
Alton & Four Marks Archers	We would like to build a larger facilities on site, but we don't have the permission or the finances.
Alton Golf Club	We need better paths around the course enabling the vets to continue to play. The course has an unjust reputation of being to hilly paths would make it easier for people to get around.

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ANTS Netball Club	Sports halls have very good facilities it would be more beneficial if there was an indoor sports facility that had two indoor netball courts.
Alton Tennis Club	Extra court would significantly enhance coaching - particularly junior coaching. We could do with more land for an extra court or 2 padel courts.
Binsted Tennis and Croquet Club	The pavilion needs a refurb.
Bowmen of Petersfield	We need an open, accessible area with no public access, one we would be able to use regularly throughout the year and offer to our members 7 days a week. Ability to hire the field more evenings during the summer and the sports hall more evenings during the winter. Currently not affordable. As a club we would much prefer to have another site to use on a regular basis but have been unable to locate a suitable one.
Clanfield Bowls and Sports Club	There is insufficient storage space within the building for food and drinks. Currently we use the so-called referees' room to store drinks and dry foods. The kitchen is very small and gets exceptionally hot. We have received both the landlord's and relevant planning permission to extend the premises by about 1m right across the full length of the premises at the rear. This will provide for more storage and address the issues of serving drinks to footballers/spectators.
East Hampshire Padel Club	We need a home. Preferably within the new sports hub with the rugby club. We need a facility with a bar so we can be social and spend time with each other for our mental health.
East Hampshire Pickelball Club	We need a home. Preferably within the new sports hub with the rugby club. We need a facility with a bar so we can be social and spend time with each other for our mental health.
Four Marks Martial Arts Academy	Purpose built premises are required
Grayshott Tennis Club	We need a new clubhouse facility
Headley Bowling Club	The pavilion is outdated and in poor condition.
Headley Tennis Club	We would like a Padel court
Headley Table Tennis Club	Our playing facility is in need of refurbishment and expansion
Karate to Inspire LTD / Petersfield Karate Club	From a child protection perspective, it would be ideal if a studio had an exclusive toilet facility i.e. not shared with the whole centre.
Medstead Lawn Tennis Club	Quality of courts and club house are good, but need to update aged floodlighting to improve lighting, and to reduce electricity costs.
Newman Collard Tennis Club	Facilities are only accessible to the mobile and able bodied - there are cracked and broken paths to and then steps to the club room and courts. The club room is not a great benefit to members or players as the facilities are behind locked doors as the clubroom was previously used a nursery.
Petersfield Pearls Netball Club	We really need a regular good quality court in Petersfield. Hopefully, we will be able to stay at TPS over the winter.
Petersfield Squash Club	Playing surface, floor is good condition, lacks ongoing cleaning and maintenance is ad hoc not planned. There is no heating on the court. So, in severe weather the courts can be cold. No available water fountain or similar out of the gym. The entrance barriers prevent the public from stumbling across our club. We would like East Hampshire to be able to host competitive competition preventing the local residents of East Hampshire having to travel over 1 hour away.
Petersfield Bowling and Snooker Club	The changing rooms for the bowling members are very cramped and there are no showering facilities. The building is very old and retro-fitting facilities for severely disabled people is beyond the club's financial ability.
Petersfield Karate Club	From a child protection perspective, it would be ideal if a studio had an exclusive toilet facility i.e. not shared with the whole centre.
Petersfield Table Tennis Club	Lighting at TPS could be improved. Lack of space limits our activities at the Rugby Club. We really need a dedicated space for our Club to thrive and grow.
Taekwondo Academy	At the moment our safety barriers are netting on foam covered railings however we would like to eventually get fully wrapped canvas over the railings to increase student safety and improve hygiene.
Vanessa Golborn School of Dance	We manage in less than perfect rooms, but inspired and qualified teachers give the girls and adults a good experience. It would be better for our dance school students if we could find a space with 3 good sized sprung floor studios, then parents would not need to deliver 2 children to separate areas of the town.
Whitehill Archers	Ideally, we need indoor facilities and better disabled access.